

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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To Whom It May Concern:

Subject: Solicitation number W9124R-05-R-0021, Amendment 1

1. This amendment is published to provide answers to contractor questions and amend solicitation W9124R-05-R-0021 for Design and Construction of a Climate Controlled Dog Kennel. No further contractor questions will be accepted as Milestone 5; Final Questions closed on August 19, 2005.

This Amendment is issued to accomplish the following:

2. Questions and Answers

- Q1. The design stage requires 60% drawings no later than 60 days after award. 100% drawings would be at some time after the 60% drawings. The required completion requirements on form 1442 is 120 calendar days. Allowing for Government review time, the 120 calendar days seems unrealistic for both the design and construction of this project. We suggest a period be given for the design of 90 days and the construction activity of 120 days
- A1. Project schedule is a subfactor of the technical/management portion of the proposal and will be evaluated in accordance with section M.
- Q2. Instructions to paying office indicate that payment for this project is by government credit card. The project is a construction project. How will contractors be paid if they are not set up to accept credit cards?
- A2. Contractors that do not have a credit card acceptance system will receive payment through the Defense Finance and Accounting Services.
- Q3. The civil portion of the scope of work indicates that the Geotechnical support for the design requires the soils report to be a part of the design costs. Does the government not have a soils report for this area of work that can be utilized in this project? If not, is a full-blown soils report required with bore holes, etc?
- A3. We do not have a soils report. The Contractor is responsible for any required site surveys as per statement of work.

- Q4. During the site visit there is landscaping and landscape fencing in the footprint of the dog kennel. Who's responsibility will it be to remove the landscaping and irrigation system tied to the landscaping?
- A4. All relocatable plants will be removed and relocated to another site by the Government prior to the start of construction. The Contractor is responsible for the removal of all remaining landscaping. The irrigation system, which provides for the landscaping shall be removed and capped off with connection for future utility.
- Q5. During the site visit there is existing asphalt that will need to be removed for new work. Can the removed asphalt be disposed of at the YPG landfill as per specification paragraph C.3.2?
- A5. The asphalt shall be removed by the contractor to a location off base. No construction debris material shall be taken to the YPG landfill.
- Q6. During the site visit the footprint of the dog kennels were stepped off from the existing road and the existing drainage way. The footprint of the kennels will not fit in the parameters given in the plans. Please advise.
- A6. It is the responsibility of the contractor to design the dog kennels.
- 2. Amend block 11 to read: This performance Period is negotiable.
- 3. The following are changes to the Design and Construction Criteria.
 - C.5.1.4 Construction Schedule. The contractor shall submit construction schedule to the contracting officer and the COR during the pre-construction meeting. Furthermore, the contractor shall provide revised construction schedules to the contracting officer and the COR on a weekly basis.
 - C.5.1.5 Review time for the Government will be 14 calendar days for each submittal upon receiving the design submittals.
 - E. Electrical

DIVISION 16: ELECTRICAL

- 9-1 The electrical system shall be installed in compliance with the rules and recommendations of the National Electrical Safety Code, NFPA 70, National Electric Code (NEC), whichever is more stringent.
- 9-2 Electrical service shall be obtained from existing power pole CY11244, located north of the kennel location. Furnish and install a 15kVA, single phase, pole mounted

transformer (rated 12.47kV primary, 120/240 V secondary), lightning arrester (9 kV metal oxide, distribution class), fused cutout (15/25 kV), required ground wire (No. 4 solid copper), mounting brackets, compression type line clamps, thru-bolts, locknuts, washers and any other hardware required for providing electrical service. Install a 3" schedule 40 PVC conduit riser from the pole mounted transformer secondary circuits to distribution panel A at the kennel mechanical room. 18" below grade, install a locator tape along the entire length of the underground conduit. The panel board, designated "A" shall have a main disconnecting breaker installed.

<u>Division 16: Electrical</u>, paragraph 9-2 and sheet E1 of the mechanical drawings: the 12.47kV should read 7.2 kV.

4. Paragraph M.1 Basis for Award is changed.

M.1 – Basis for Award

The Government will make award to the responsible contactor whose offer conforms to the solicitation and is determined to be the most advantageous to the Government considering price and non-price factors as stated herein. Proposals will be evaluated on the following non-price factors. Accordingly, the Government reserves the right to award to other than the low offeror based on the following criteria:

Past Performance Technical/Management

Past Performance and Technical/Management are equal. They are also significantly more important than cost.

5. Contract Line Item Number (CLIN) 0003 is added for pricing of a wind/privacy screen. See attached specifications.

Screen needs to cover the length of the fence on the street side of the building and the east side of the kennels (not the exercise area). It is to be 175 ft long by 8 ft wide and constructed of 2 plies of forest green windscreen material providing 90% shade / privacy, provide maximum UV protection, hemmed on all four sides with brass grommets every 18" on all four sides. The hems need to be of 6-ply construction with 4 plies of reinforcing binding with brass tooth grommets 18 inches apart on all sides.

6. Point of contact is Steve Tirone, Contract Specialist at 928-328-6287 or the undersigned at 928-328-6348.

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